IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Fernando Gonzalez et al.

Serial No.:

10/081,915

Filed:

February 22, 2002

**Assistant Commissioner** 

Washington, D.C. 20231

for Patents

For:

METHOD FOR FORMING CONDUCTORS

IN SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES

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Group Art Unit: 2823

Examiner:

Unassigned

Atty. Docket:

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May 8, 2002

Date

Michael G. Fletcher

Sir:

## RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

In Response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed on April 15, 2002, please find enclosed the following papers: (1) a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application; (2) a copy of the Request for Filing Continuing Application Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) filed February 22, 2002, which authorized the Commissioner to charge Deposit Account No. 13-3092, Order No. MCRO:125--4/FLE for the filing fee; and (3) seventeen (17) sheets of formal drawings for the above-referenced patent application that have appropriate margins.

Accordingly, please charge Deposit Account No. 13-3092 for the \$1240.00 filing fee as originally instructed. Due to this oversight on the part of the Patent Office, it is not believed that the surcharge of \$130.00 is due.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 8, 2002

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## In re Application of: Fernando G

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Wilson, A.

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Jennifer Presswood

Dear Sir:

## REQUEST FOR FILING A DIVISIONAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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This is a Request for filing a continuing application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 09/570,614, filed on 05/12/00, entitled METHOD FOR FORMING CONDUCTORS IN SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES in the name of Fernando Gonzalez et al.

The following are enclosed:

- 1. X A true copy of the prior application as originally filed, including a Title page, a 19 page disclosure, 6 pages of claims, a 1 page abstract of the disclosure, 17 sheets of formal drawings, and a Declaration signed by the inventors.
- 2. X The Commissioner is authorized to charge the filing fee as calculated below, less any claims canceled by amendment below, and any additional fees which may be required, to Deposit Account No. 13-3092; Order No. MCRO:125-4/FLE (94-0281.04).
- 3.a. X A copy of the Election and Power of Attorney in the prior application.

or

- 3.b. \_\_\_\_\_ A new Power of Attorney.
- 4. X An Assignment of record for the prior application.
- 5. X Three (3) sets of formal drawings, each set consisting of <u>17</u> sheets.
- 6.a. \_\_\_\_\_ A verified statement claiming small entity status is enclosed.

or

	0.0.	small entity status is still proper and desired in this continuing application.					
	7. <u>X</u>	An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449.					
	8. <u>X</u>	A Preliminary Amendment.					
X	Please address all correspondence in connection with this application to Michael G. Fletcher, Fletche Yoder & Van Someren, P.O. Box 692289, Houston, Texas 77269-2289; telephone (281) 970-4545						
	Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:						
<u>X</u>	Cancel in this ap	oplication original claims <u>1-17</u> of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (As					

Cancel in this application original claims <u>1-17</u> of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims originally filed in the prior application, and any claims canceled or added by amendment.

CLAIMS	FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	CALCULATIONS	
	TOTAL 43 CLAIMS	- 20 =	20	X \$ 18.00	\$	414.00
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	Reduction by ½ for filing by small entity (Note 37 C.F.R. §§			F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27. 1.28.		
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The undersigned declares that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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